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Attached is the new DoDI 1341.13, Post-9/11 GI Bill, incorporating change 1, dated 12 July 2018. In addition to the new DoDI, a summary of changes is provided in the attached fact sheet. The changes to the new DoDI are directly related to the transfer of education benefit (TEB) program. The biggest changes are as follows:

1. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:
   - Must Be Eligible to Serve Four Years. Service members must be eligible to be retained for four years from the date of their election to transfer benefits and not be precluded from serving for four more years prior to approval of their election by policy or statute.
   - Force Shaping Definition Expanded. The definition of “force shaping” is expanded to expressly include officers involuntarily separated as a result of being twice passed over for promotion, and enlisted personnel who were involuntarily separated as a result of failure to meet minimum retention standards, or because of a change in these policies.
   - Deletes Ten Year Service Exception. Previously, service members with ten years of service could transfer their Post-9/11 benefit without serving four years, if they were prevented by policy or statute from doing so. Now such members must be eligible to serve an additional four years when they elect to transfer educational benefits.

2. EFFECTIVE IN ONE YEAR:
   - Sixteen Year Service Limitation Imposed. Eligibility to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill education benefits will be limited to service members with at least six years, but not more than 16 years, of total creditable service.
   - Waiting Period for Boards. Service members who have not applied for TEB, who are on limited duty or involved in a Medical Evaluation Board, Physical Evaluation Board, or Disability Evaluation System process must wait until the board process is complete before applying for TEB.

We will be publishing a new ARNG TEB Policy incorporating these changes in the next few weeks and updating our marketing materials accordingly. States are encouraged to ensure widest dissemination of this information to your Soldiers for situational awareness and counseling.


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